- Trickling filters
- Bio disc system
- Conventional activated sludge
- Non-conventional activated sludge:
  - Single sludge system
  - Multi-sludge system

## Oxidation Ponds (Lagoons)

Heterotrophic bacteria degrade sewage organic matter within ponds producing mineral products

Oxygen produced by algae compensate poor O<sub>2</sub> condition created by heterotrophic bacteria

The pond should be shallow, about 10 feet deep

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Aerobic processes

Oxidation pond

- Activated sludge

Trickling filter

Septic tank

Anaerobic digestion

## Trickling Filter

This system is simple but expensive

Sewage is distributed by revolving sprinkler suspended over a bed of porous material

The sewage slowly percolates through this porous bed and the effluent is collected the bottom

The porous material of the filter bed becomes coated with a dense, slimy bacterial growth

The slimy matrix harbors a heterogenous microbial community

The bacterial community dissolves organic nutrients in the sewage, reducing BOD of the effluent